

## Events & Services

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| <b>Monday</b><br>31                                               | 7.30pm - Summer Conversations at the Malt Shovel                   |
| <b>Tuesday</b><br>1                                               | 9.15am - Morning Prayer<br>2.15pm - Mothers' Union Opening service |
| <b>Wednesday</b><br>2                                             | <b>9.30am-12pm - Parish Office Open</b>                            |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>3                                              | 9.30am - Midweek Communion<br><b>PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</b>          |
| <b>Friday</b><br>4                                                | 9.15am - Stay & Play                                               |
| <b>Saturday</b><br>5                                              | 10.30am - Quiet Day see <i>notices</i>                             |
| <b>Next Sunday: 6 September - Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity</b> |                                                                    |
|                                                                   | 9.30am - Zest<br>11am - Holy Communion                             |

### ***First time here?***

Welcome! It's so good to see you. We'd love for you to join us for refreshments and a chat in the Parish Room between the services. We can answer any questions or just get to know you better, whether you are visiting or looking for a new church to call home! Please fill out a 'New to St John's' form so we can stay in touch.

### ***Parish Office***

Unless stated differently in the notices, the Parish Office is open Thursday mornings from 9.30am—12pm. The administrator works remotely Tuesday & Wednesday and is contactable via email or mobile (details below). If you need to come into the office on another day, please contact to arrange.

### ***Contact Us***

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## ***Parish Notes - 30 August 2026*** ***The Thirteenth Sunday After Trinity***

ST JOHN THE DIVINE, MENSTON

### ***Today's Services***

**9.30AM**      **ZEST - AN INFORMAL AND  
CREATIVE TIME OF WORSHIP**

*Please join us in the Parish Room between  
the services for Fairtrade tea and coffee*

**11.00AM**      **HOLY COMMUNION - TRADITIONAL  
WORSHIP (CHURCH OF ENGLAND)**

**Readings:**      Exodus 3:1-15 (Old Testament p 51-52)  
Matthew 16: 21-end (New Testament p 17)

**Hymns:**      Brother, sister, Let me serve you  
We love the place, O God  
Be thou my vision  
I, the Lord of sea and sky



## ***Parish Notices***

### **PARISH OFFICE**

The Parish Office is closed on Thursday 3 September. It will instead be open on Wednesday 2 September from 9.30am - 12pm. If you have any notices for the Parish Notes on 6 September, please send them to the administrator by 9am on Wednesday 2nd. Thank you.

### **QUIET-DAY 'RETREAT' EXPERIENCE**

Saturday 5 September, 10.30am-2.30pm. Come along to experience a time of peaceful relaxation, reflection and prayer led by Rev Andrew Howorth. An opportunity to deepen your spiritual experience. To share together a journey in quiet meditation. Open to everyone. Lunch provided with a free will offering to cover the cost. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church to help with numbers.

### **PHOTO COMPETITION - LAST CHANCE!**

This year at Harvest we are reflecting on God's beautiful gifts to us in Creation, and our call to care for His World. As you notice the wonder of Creation this summer, we would love for you to capture a photo to share with others. Photos will be judged by the vicar, magazine editor and eco-church lead. Winning photos will be published in the October Parish Mag, on the website, and displayed in church at Harvest Time. The overall winner will receive an enlarged framed print of their photo. Competition is open to all in Menston Parish, photos must be taken by yourself and not enhanced with AI. **Submissions by 1 September** to [office@stjohnmenston.org.uk](mailto:office@stjohnmenston.org.uk) – please include name, age and postcode. You can enter a maximum of one photo per category and you must make clear which category it is for. Please include a one-line caption/title with your entry. Categories as follows:

- Miraculous Design – close ups of detail and wonder in God's Creation.
- Nature at its best – pure beauty and awesome sights in God's Creation.
- Wonder in Menston – God's Creation in Menston.
- The need for change – where we need to look after God's creation more.
- Youth Photographers - photos of Creation by those aged 12-15, 9-11 and 8 and under.

### **STAY & PLAY RETURNS! FROM FRIDAY 4 SEPTEMBER, 9.15AM**

As the new school term begins, so does our toddler group! Stay & Play takes place every Friday during term time at 9.15am in the Parish Room. Expect toys, crafts, singing, bubbles, dancing and so much more!

### **NEW SERVICE AT ST JOHN'S: AN EVENING SERVICE OF THE WORD**

Whether spiritual, physical, mental, or emotional challenges are present in your life, big or small, know that Jesus cares and offers hope. Come to a gentle time of reflection on his Word to us and an opportunity to receive prayer for healing and wholeness. Please join us on the last Sunday of every month at 4pm.

### **PEOPLE'S EMERGENCY BRIEFING FILM SCREENING**

Sunday 20 September from 6-8pm. The People's Emergency Briefing is a powerful film exploring the climate and nature crisis. Bringing together expert insights, audience reactions and hopeful responses, it helps communities understand the scale of the crisis and discuss how we can respond together. The 50-minute documentary is being screened in churches, community centres and village halls across the UK, and now we're bringing it to Menston. If you're able, please visit [pebmenston.eventbrite.co.uk](http://pebmenston.eventbrite.co.uk) to book a place. This isn't necessary, but it helps us keep track of numbers. You're still very welcome to just turn up on the night.

## ***We Pray For***

**Healing, comfort, support and courage for all who need it, especially:** Catherine M and Margaret & Dale S.

Lord Jesus, may your love and your promises, give us strength for today and hope for tomorrow. Amen.

**Dear God, we lift up all students and teachers as they start a new school year. Please grant the children inquisitive minds, kind hearts, and safety each day. Give teachers patience, supportive colleagues, deep strength, and fresh wisdom. Walk into every classroom and fill the year with peace. Amen.**

**Memorial Book:** Ethel Buswell, Frederick Marcham, Frances Wilkinson, Emma Brown, Francis Ratcliffe, Edward Carson, Anne Stenning, Joan Pullan, Geoffrey Storr, Muriel Ireson

*Can we be praying for you? You may be going through a new phase or a personally challenging time and we would love to hold you and your needs up to God in prayer. Please let us know via a friend, the clergy or the office if you would like to be added to the prayer list. We commit to pray for a month and your request for specific prayer can be renewed.*